

COMMITTEES:
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APPROPRIATIONS

## Doug Lamborn (R)

Friday, August 18, 2006

Mr. Jeff S. Jordan – Supervisory Attorney Federal Election Commission Office of Complaints Examination & Legal Administration 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

Via: Facsimile #202-219-3923 and 1st Class U.S. Mail

Re: MUR 5774

Dear Mr. Jordan,

This letter is submitted in response to your letter (dated July 31, 2006 and received by our office on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2006) addressed to Lamborn for Congress Treasurer Kathleen Ann Rockefeller.

Attached please find Mrs. Rockefeller's letter authorizing my response on behalf of our committee.

The July 21<sup>st</sup> complaint filed by Scott E. Gessler, on behalf Robert S. Gardner, is completely without merit.

At no time, and in no way, did the Lamborn for Congress campaign coordinate election efforts with Christian Coalition of Colorado nor Club for Growth State Action as the complaint alleges. Lamborn for Congress has never provided lists to outside groups or their agents nor expressed the needs, wants, and desires of our campaign to such groups or their agents.

This meritless complaint was filed in the last days of our Republican Primary as an election stunt to fallaciously attack Doug Lamborn and cast media aspersions on his campaign for U.S. Congress.

It should be noted that all parties associated with filing the complaint are widely known public supporters and/or contributors to the Jeff Crank for Congress campaign, one of our Primary election opponents.

Both Mr. Gessler and Mr. Gardner are public supporters and contributors to the

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Jeff Crank for Congress campaign according to the FEC's financial disclosure database.

Mr. Bohall is also a financial contributor who serves as the Treasurer for the Jeff Crank for Congress campaign. Lastly, Ms. Jutton was a public endorser and campaign worker for the Crank campaign.

Furthermore, the complaint relays patently false information in an attempt to bolster the meritless allegations.

Contrary to the complaint's verbiage, both Ms. Jutton's and Mr. Bohall's business mailing addresses are publicly available from a wide variety of sources other than the mentioned Absentee Voter list.

Both Ms. Jutton and Mr. Bohall are long time Republican Party Activists who's home and business mailing addresses can be found on publicly available Republican activist lists, the Colorado Secretary of State's public voter file and/or publicly available business contact lists.

Lastly, to further show that this meritless complaint was filed as a last minute election stunt, after winning the Republican primary on August 8th, Doug Lamborn was approached by complainant Robert S. Gardner the next day. Gardner said he was inclined to withdraw his complaint and would be contacting the FEC to do so, but did not know if there was a procedure in place for doing so, having never filed a FEC complaint before.

Thank you for your consideration of the facts in this matter and please feel free to contact me at anytime should you have additional questions about this or any other matter of concern to the FEC.

Best regards,

Jon Hotaling - Campaign Manager

Lamborn for Congress

Enclosed: Authorization letter signed by K.A. Rockefeller